IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

KENNETH J. NOWAK, and CAROLYN L. NOWAK,)
Plaintiffs,)) 4:06CV318
vs.)) ORDER
MERCK & CO., INC.,)
Defendant.)

This matter is before the court on the defendant's motion to stay all proceedings (Filing No. 6). The defendant seeks a stay of proceedings pending a transfer decision by the judicial panel on multidistrict litigation to the case captioned *In re VIOXX Mktg., Sales Practices & Prods. Liab. Litig.,* (MDL-1657, E.D. La.). The defendant represents the plaintiffs have no objection to the extension. Upon consideration,

IT IS ORDERED:

- 1. The defendant's motion to stay (Filing No. 6) is granted as set forth below.
- All proceedings in this matter are stayed. The parties shall file a status report on October 1, 2006, unless the case is transferred to the Multi-District Litigation Docket. DATED this 17th day of August, 2006.

BY THE COURT:

s/Thomas D. Thalken United States Magistrate Judge